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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 6, 2000 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Communication is submitted in response to the October 6, 2000 Restriction Requirement issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the October 6, 2000 Restriction Requirement is due November 6, 2000. Accordingly, Communication is being timely filed.

REMARKS

In the October 6, 2000 Restriction Requirement, the Examiner to whom the subject application is assigned required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following allegedly independent and distinct inventions: